

RAINS ARE HEAVY.

Eastern Kansas Is Deluged Once More.

Topeka Has a Fall of Inch and Half.

RIVERS ARE RISING.

Cottonwood Reported to Be Nearly Out of Bank.

High Water on Santa Fe Near Emporia.

Although rain fell steadily nearly all night in Topeka, the earliest reports do not show any damage as a result. An inch and 48 one-hundredths of rain fell during the night.

The Kaw river at Topeka showed very little effect of the rain this morning, and had risen four-tenths of a foot, and now stands at 16.4. At Blue Rapids the river has fallen 3 feet and a half in 24 hours, and 10 feet in 48 hours; at Manhattan the river has fallen two feet and three-tenths in the past 24 hours. Last night the rainfall was heavy on the portions of Kansas which do not drain into the Kaw river.

The rainfall reports from the Kansas weather stations are as follows: Baker, 1.0 inch; Concordia, .66 inch; Dodge City, 1.16 inch; Drexler, .0; Fort Scott, 2.84 inches; Hays, 1.16 inch; McPherson, .86 inch; Manhattan, 1.26 inches; Ocala, 2.88 inches; Sedan, .32 inch; Topeka, 1.48 inches; Toronto, 2.10 inches; Wichita, .48 inch; City, Mo., just half an inch rainfall is reported.

Shungununga Behaves. It is remarkable how flood rumors circulate these days with extreme rapidity and are enlarged every time they are passed on. The great many inquiries are received at the State Journal office in regard to these rumors. This morning the rumor that the Shungununga was up again and was doing queer things was circulated. The facts of the case were that the waters of the creek, which are along at rather a rapid pace but did not come in proximity to the top of the embankment. It was a late hour this morning, however, before the water began to fall. The dwellers along the bank of the flood of Wednesday morning did not become alarmed in the least over the situation.

The speaker's friends declare that in this distribution his concern was not with reference to the character of the bill so much as it was to the geographical location of the conference. The amendment were taken up today in their numerical order and all of those which appeared likely to pass were passed. It is estimated there are fewer than 200 amendments, which will be the subject of serious differences.

UNCLE JOE EXPLAINS.

Tells Why Calderhead and Fordney Were Made Conferees.

Washington, July 10.—The explanation was made today on behalf of Calderhead and Fordney, who were made conferees on the tariff bill, by the fact that they were the only members of the house who had been in the conference committee. The speaker, Mr. Cannon, explained that the committee had been organized on July 8, and that the members of the committee had been in the conference committee since that time. He said that the members of the committee had been in the conference committee since that time, and that the members of the committee had been in the conference committee since that time.

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City Will Be Dry Sunday From 8:30 Till Noon.

Superintendent Shaw of the city water plant announced this afternoon that there will be no water service in the city from 8:30 in the morning to noon (Sunday) until about noon. It is necessary that a number of new connections be made at the waterworks and Sunday is the best day for the temporary cutting off of the service.

This means that the late Sunday morning risers will have to take their baths early.

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TO BEAT THE GANG.

Widow of Slain Politician Tries to Commit Suicide.

St. Louis, Mo., July 10.—Mrs. Fred Mohle, widow of a political leader, who tried to commit suicide last night by shooting, probably will recover. Today she said she attempted to forestall the political gang that had been threatening her death and which she asserts has been threatening her, by taking her own life.

Mohle was shot and killed as he was going to trial on the charge of killing Samuel Young. William Wright was acquitted last week of shooting Young and that same night he shot his best friend, Fred Mohle. The shootings and killings are a result of the efforts of a political gang to overcome the power of its opponents. Mrs. Mohle has been attending the gang has been trying to kill her.

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WANT NO FIGHT.

National Bankers Not Committed on Special Session.

Don't Say They Desire One Called.

ARE WILLING TO HELP

However to Secure Harmony For All Banks.

Special Session Question Likely to Be Decided on Soon.

The impression has been conveyed that the national bankers now want a special session of the legislature called in order to iron out the difficulties between the bankers. This is hardly the case. The national bankers, through the board of directors of their insurance association have expressed themselves as being willing to abide by the action of the legislature if that body passed an equitable law placing both classes of banks on an equal footing. But this expression can hardly be construed to mean that the national bankers favor the calling of a special session.

If the governor calls a special session will you use your efforts to secure a law that is just and equitable to both national and state banks and will place both on an equal footing?"

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Complaints About Increase Go to State Department.

Attorney General Jackson today gave out a statement in regard to the new insurance law which will be of great interest at this time in view of the protests that are being made by certain people regarding an alleged increase in the rates. Attorney General Jackson believes that the new insurance law is a good one in the main. He is of the opinion that it gives the insurance commissioner absolute power to fix insurance rates. The opinion in full is as follows:

"Considerable discussion has arisen over the new fire insurance rating law and I regret that conditions have been such as to prejudice the public against the law before it has had a fair chance for trial. It is a good law and when rightly administered will save the state thousands of dollars in insurance premiums. Two things are talked about most—that there is a joker in the law and that it legalizes the Eldridge rate bureau—neither of these are true and the most important feature of the law is entirely overlooked. This is that the superintendent of insurance has complete authority to fix the rates of insurance."

The increase in rates by the insurance companies which has justly angered the public did not begin under this law, but nearly two years before its enactment, and shortly after the San Francisco fire. At that time, acting with Superintendent Barnes, I brought the trust suit against the companies and the Eldridge bureau. This suit is prepared for trial and will be tried as soon as it can be reached by the court, unless the administration of this law by the insurance department shows it is unnecessary. It is just as much a crime now as before the new law for the insurance companies to combine for the purpose of raising the Eldridge or any other rating bureau.

"The public has an interest in every rate charged by an insurance company, first to see that it is reasonable, and second, to see that it is adequate to enable the company to pay its losses should losses occur."

"The new law proceeds along the same lines to reach these results as the interstate commerce railroad rate law and seeks to prevent discrimination by requiring the rates to be filed, and places the power of fixing the rates in the hands of the state's superintendent who is elected by the people. The new law is just as sharp as ever and each company makes just as low a rate as it wishes. Before the new law it had to get consent from Eldridge to lower the rates, now it can get the permission from Mr. Barnes."

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A HOLE IN HER POCKET

Woman Lost Her Purse as Well as Ticket to Europe.

New York, July 10.—The Misses Kate and Jane Dunphy, milliners of Denver, came very near not being able to sail for Europe today on the steamship St. Paul. While shopping in Broadway Miss Kate lost through a hole in her jacket pocket a gold watch, an envelope containing \$200 and another envelope containing their tickets to Europe.

They advertised their loss and the envelope containing the tickets was found in a store where it had been left by a man who had picked it up in the street. Another reply to their advertisement told of a boy, giving his address, who had found some money. With a detective the Misses Dunphy called on the lad and he returned the \$200 and the gold watch, which he had concealed in his cellar awaiting a reward. He was given \$20.

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WARNING.

The State Journal warns its readers to be on the look out for solicitors and canvassers representing other newspapers which is selling "at cost" all sorts of premiums in a desperate effort to secure subscribers.

Don't be fooled. Take your favorite paper and buy your merchandise from Topeka merchants. The newspaper that is compelled to resort to the giving of prizes, and the selling of cheap premiums "at cost," and incidentally throwing in its publication to complete the bargain, certainly has its shortcomings. One newspaper which has in the past sold carpet sweepers, meat grinders, scissors, mirrors, water bottles, razors, musical instruments, fountain pens, and other articles too numerous to mention, on the installment plan, providing you will allow its daily issue to be left along with the merchandise, may soon be offering you a gold spoon, or a gold watch, or even a diamond ring if you will only sign a contract to take some paper you don't want.

There is this about morning and evening newspapers: The evening paper gives you today's news today, while the morning paper very seldom gives you anything but yesterday's news. No wonder the people want the evening paper. It changes with the times, and is simply for the sake of securing some article which you can always get at Topeka's splendid stores. It is becoming more difficult every day to fool the public. The readers continue to read the town's favorite paper, regardless of prizes and premiums.

CHANCE FOR THAW.

Supreme Court Makes a Rule in His Favor.

New York, July 10.—Supreme Court Justice Gaynor has denied the motion recently made before the court for the removal of the Thaw insanity hearing from West Chester county to New York county. Justice Gaynor referred to the case as a "technical" one, and the convenience of expert witnesses, whom it was desired to ask a lengthy question, would be served by the removal of the case to New York county.

"Thaw has now been confined in the state lunatic asylum for a year and the experienced and practical physicians attending him have sought to succeed for the purpose of the state on the question whether this man, who has already been adjudged a lunatic by Justice Morshe, after a full hearing, has since recovered and may safely be properly set at large."

STOCKS LETHARGIC.

Excellent Conditions Reported From Iron and Steel Trade.

New York, July 10.—Stocks were lethargic in face of many developments this week. Pressure to realize profits was the chief factor in the market. The government crop reports were accepted as promise for the most profitable agricultural out-turn in the history of the country.

Excellent conditions were reported from the iron and steel trades. Copper trade conditions were less satisfactory owing to accumulation of stocks in second hands. The tranquil passing of the half yearly settlements gave assurance of continued ease in the money market. There were some stirring of activity on the political side owing to the forecasting of government hostility to the "holding company" device employed by great corporations.

NO AGREEMENT REACHED

Operators and Miners' Representatives Talk Over Troubles.

St. Louis, July 10.—President T. L. Lewis and the officers of three southwestern districts, representing Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas of the United Mine Workers of America, were in conference with the executive board of the Kansas coal mine operators in an effort to avert a strike of 32,000 miners.

W. D. Heygan of Kansas City, commissioner of the operators, stated the operators' side of the dispute, which was caused by a walkout of 1900 miners in Osage county, Kansas. Since then the operators have eliminated the check off.

The conference adjourned after a short evening session. No agreement was reached. The members of the board of operators said that the way was paved for a settlement.

POTATOES SELL AT \$1.25

Floods in the Kaw Valley District Blamed for High Price.

Chicago, July 10.—White potatoes sold at \$1.25 a bushel wholesale yesterday; this price being fifty cents higher than a week ago. Besides being confronted with this increase, housewives were informed that much higher figures would prevail.

Floods and excessive rains in the Kaw valley in Missouri and in Kansas were responsible for the sudden decrease in the movement of potatoes from the southwest and although new crop potatoes were selling at unusually low figures a few days ago, prospects are that famine prices will prevail before the season is over.

PUEBLO IS DRY.

All Saloons Closed Because Aldermen Not Agree.

Pueblo, Col., July 10.—Because the city fathers cannot agree upon the list of favored ones who are to receive saloon liquor licenses for the coming year, Pueblo today is dry for the first time in its history. Every saloon was ordered closed at midnight last night and today drawn blinds and closed doors greet the thirsty wayfarer.

DOWN THE WAYS.

A Replica of the First Steamboat Ever Built

Is Launched at the Staten Island Ship Building Yards.

BASE OF WELL WATER

Broken Over the Prow by Fulton's Great-Granddaughter.

Vessel Will Be the Center of Hudson-Fulton Celebration.

New York, July 10.—Sliding down the ways as gracefully as any big modern ocean liner ever took the water, the strange looking little craft which is a replica of Robert Fulton's Hudson river steamboat, the Clermont, was launched today at the auspices of the Hudson-Fulton celebration commission at the marina's harbor yards of the Staten Island Shipbuilding company. Next fall during the Hudson-Fulton celebration the Clermont replica will be the central figure in a great flotilla of warships of all nations, which will accompany the Hudson-Fulton celebration company her over the same course on the Hudson from New York to Albany, which Fulton took in the original voyage of 1807, amid the devotion of the multitudes who lined the shores and waggishly called the inventor's expedition Fulton's folly.

The ceremonies today were witnessed by 5,000 persons, including the majority of the living lineal descendants of Robert Fulton and Chancellor Livingston. General Stewart Woodford, president of the Hudson-Fulton commission, presided, and Mrs. Alice Sutcliffe, a great granddaughter of Fulton, christened the "first steamboat" as it slid into the water. Mrs. Sutcliffe broke on the bow of the replica a beautiful silver filigree glass vase filled with water from the well on the old Livingston place at Clermont-on-the-Hudson, where Fulton made the first stop on the maiden trip of the Clermont.

As the vase broke, she said: "I name the Clermont, in honor of the people Fulton's own sentiment in his essay to the friends of mankind: 'In industry will give abundance to the virtuous world and call mankind to one unbounded feast of harmony and friendship.'"

While the sponsor spoke a dozen carried pipes were released under the Japanese custom from a wicker basket and started their flight north to their homes on the Hudson. On a lot of dignitaries and onlookers fastened bearing the words from Fulton's essay used by Mrs. Sutcliffe.

The replica is as nearly the duplicate of the original as the commission could build from plan dimensions noted in some of Fulton's own letters. She is 150 feet long, 18 feet wide, 7 feet deep and draws two feet of water. Her two masts are straight up and down and both ends are wedge shaped. She will be equipped with a replica of the old engine and make her trip up the Hudson to Albany under her own steam.

REPLIES TO SCOTT.

Secretary Wilson Answers Inquiry of Kansas Congressman.

Washington, July 10.—Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture has written a letter to Representative Scott of Kansas, chairman of the House committee on agriculture, contradicting a report that the secretary, with Solicitor Bowers of the department of justice, had entered into an agreement with a representative of the millers of Nebraska regarding prosecutions for bleaching flour.

The secretary's letter is a reply to a letter to him from Mr. Scott, in which the secretary was informed that it had been represented that the two Washington officials had agreed that their should be two or three test cases, pending which there would be no prosecutions of Nebraska millers who continue the bleaching process, nor of their customers on the purchase of bleached flour, nor of either class afterward, providing the offenders should follow the rules of the court laid down in test cases; in other words, that there would be no prosecutions for past offenses. In his letter Mr. Wilson says that he has made no such arrangements with any one, and that he has no such understanding.

"I do not know," he said. "I do know that I have been party to no such agreement. This department is executing the law and the law is made. It is in part of our business to make seizures and anybody's flour is liable to be seized."

DUE TO MISADVENTURE.

Verdict of Coroner's Jury on Death of Professor Byers.

London, July 10.—The inquest into the death of Prof. Lawrence Marshall Byers of Exeter, Mo., who died in London July 7, during an operation for an ulcerated tooth, was held today and the coroner's verdict was death by misadventure.

The professor saw a doctor in London and decided, on his advice to have a wisdom tooth removed. The doctor testified that Prof. Byers took ether remarkably well but that he was unable to take out the tooth. The professor quickly recovered from the effects of the ether on an occasion and on July 7, decided to undergo another operation. Either was again administered but the patient died within a few minutes from asphyxia, due to the history. Every saloon was ordered closed at midnight last night and today drawn blinds and closed doors greet the thirsty wayfarer.

Under the new city ordinance not more than 100 saloon licenses can be issued. The councilmen have been unable to agree on the favored ones in their respective wards, and since July 1, all saloons have been running without a license. A special meeting of the council will probably be called to relieve the drought.

HARRIMAN TO TAKE THE BATH.

Vienna, July 10.—Mr. and Mrs. E. Harriman, who arrived yesterday from Cammer, left today on a special train for Casatin in Salzburg, where Mr. Harriman will take the baths.